

The Asian-Pacific American Heritage Month graphic features DCVAMC doctor, Nickie Lepcha, M.D. Tuesday, May 26, 2015

This month we are paying tribute to our many employees of Asian-Pacific American heritage. We are proud of our diverse work force and of the contributions of our colleagues of Asian and Pacific Islander descent.

Those of Asian and Pacific Island heritage have made immeasurable contributions to America. The vibrant culture includes over 40 nations. Within VA, there are more than 25,000 of our colleagues of Asian or Pacific Islander descent, and nearly 3,500 are Veterans themselves.

Dr. Nickie Lepcha

A native of India, Dr. Nickie Lepcha, serves as the director of the Washington DC VA Medical Center's Comprehensive Nursing and Rehabilitation Center (CNRC).

The CNRC, the 120-bed facility adjacent to the medical center, provides Veterans with geriatric long-term care, short-term, hospice and palliative care. Dr. Lepcha has enjoyed taking care of senior Veterans in Washington, DC for almost nine years.

"It's a very fulfilling experience. I love taking care of Veterans because they are so unique and I hope that I can make a difference in their lives."